

State Energy Sector Partnership (SESP) Charter

Charter of the Nebraska State Energy Sector Partnership

Purpose: The creation of the Nebraska State Energy Sector Partnership (SESP) will align the Governor's Workforce Vision with an educated workforce skilled in renewable energy production, bio-fuels, and energy efficient building industries. The overall purpose of the SESP is to support and grow Nebraska's 'green' economy resulting in jobs for our citizens.

Key Responsibilities: The Nebraska SESP will serve as an industry advisory committee throughout the life of the grant. The SESP has the following areas of responsibility:

1. Provide oversight of the implementation of the Energy Sector Plan.
2. Ensure the overall success of the Energy Sector Plan.
3. Identify and encourage synergies between workforce development activities as provided by the State Energy Sector Partnership (SESP) grant and other State and Federal funded initiatives as they relate to job retention and training programs for workers in renewable energy and energy efficiency sectors.
4. Provide input and expertise in the design and implementation of the three (d) Regional Project Committees and their proposals.
5. Participate in monthly meetings for the first year of the grant and quarterly meetings in the second (2nd) and third (3rd) year of the grant.

SESP Composition: The Nebraska State Workforce Investment Board has determined the composition of the SESP to include:

The Lieutenant Governor, the Commissioner of Labor, the Nebraska State Energy Office, the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, the Nebraska Department of Education, the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the Nebraska Community College Association, Union Representatives, and a variety of Energy Sector members representing renewable wind and biofuels, and 'green' sustainable building technologies.

Terms: The Nebraska SESP will take effect upon the award of the SESP grant and be active for a 36 month period.

SESP Charter Members

1. **Lieutenant Governor, Rick Sheehy**
2. **Dennis Baack**—Executive Director, Nebraska State Community College Association
3. **Richard Baier**—Director, Nebraska Department of Economic Development
4. **Dr. Roger Breed**—Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Education
5. **Nadine Condello**—Executive Officer, Home Builders Assn of Lincoln
6. **Kathryn Erdmann**—US Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeships
7. **Todd Hall**—Vice President Consumer Services, Lincoln Electric System
8. **Matt Hastings**—Director, FutureForce Nebraska
9. **John Hilgert**—Director, Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs
10. **Greg Ibach**—Director, Nebraska Department of Agriculture
11. **Richard Katt**—State Director, Career Education
12. **Gary Kelly**—Business Manager, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers local 22
13. **Bruce Kevil**—Executive Vice President, Nebraska State Home Builders Association
14. **Catherine D. Lang**—Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Labor
15. **Joe Lempka**—President, Kiewit Building Group, Inc.
16. **James Linderholm**—Vice Chair, Nebraska Workforce Investment Board
17. **Ken Mass**—President, Nebraska AFL/CIO
18. **Gayle McClure**—Chair, Nebraska Workforce Investment Board
19. **Mark McColley**—Manager, Steamfitters & Plumbers Local Union 464
20. **Adrian Minks**—Vice President Essential Services, Omaha Public Power District
21. **Don Nordell**—Director, Black Hills Energy Corporation
22. **Prem S Paul**—Vice Chancellor, UNL Research and Economic Development
23. **Jean Petsch**—Executive Director, Associated General Contractor of America
24. **Roy Steiner**—Vice President Human Resources and Corporate Support, Nebraska Public Power District
25. **Ginger Willson**—Director, Nebraska Energy Office